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SENATOR HOAGLAND: I wonder if Senator Peterson would yield to a couple of questions.

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Senator Peterson, what is the actual average cost per day likely to come out to be on an average basis? Was there any testimony?

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Well the testimony given by the sheriff from Hall County was that it was that it was \$36 per day in Hall County. I suppose that would vary by counties. The total bill in Hall County is \$764,000. So what we would hope to do is recover that portion where you have people who are out for a week, come in for a weekend, cause, you know, that kind of cost, and who are able to pay for incarceration.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: All right. What are the low costs and the high costs? Do you have any idea? What is the most they might be charged given recent averages in recent years?

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Well I wouldn't have any way of knowing what it would be in Douglas County. I suppose that your costs are probably higher than they are in Hall County, Senator Hoagland. You might want to raise that question with your sheriff and see what it is in Douglas County.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Senator Peterson, another question. What is the average number of days...what would you contemplate to be the average number of days that an individual might have to repay the county? Are we paying short-term incarcerations here, 10 or 15 days, or could it be a year or a year and a half of incarceration that would be reimburseable?

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Senator Hoagland, I believe the committee amendments provide just for, what, 90 day maximum.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Ninety day maximum. So a 90 day maximum at \$36 a day, so I guess the maximum could be as high as three or four thousand dollars somebody might have to pay